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LETTER DATED 12 FEBRUARY 1993 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continued to violate Iraqi airspace for the purpose of surveillance and provocation during the period from 31 January to 8 February 1993.

30-31 January 1993

(a) Northern region: 26 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 4,000-8,000 m, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Ayn Zalah and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 56 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-10,000 m, centred over Basrah, Samawah, Amarah, Nasiriyah, Salman, Busayyah, Artawi and Ashbijah.

1 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 12 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-9,000 m, centred on Irbil, Zakho, Dohuk and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 64 sorties, flown by F-4, F-15 and F-16 aircraft at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-9,000 m, centred over Basrah, Nasiriyah, Samawah, Jalibah, southern Diwaniyah, Busayyah and Salman.

2 February 1993

(a) Northern region: No air activity.

(b) Southern region: 60 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-10,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah, Samawah, Salman, Qurnah, Shatrah, Amarah and Busayyah.

3 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 22 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-10,000 m, centred on Zakho, Mosul, Dohuk, Irbil and Tall Afar.

(b) Southern region: 58 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-10,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah, Samawah, Khidr, Qurnah, Jalibah, Amarah, Basrah, Shatrah and Busayyah.

4 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 32 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-9,500 m, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Zakho, Tall Afar, Ayn Zalah and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 51 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred over Nasiriyah, Samawah, Salman, Amarah, Qurnah, southern Diwaniyah and Busayyah.

At 1238 hours on 4 February 1993, a TR-1 reconnaissance aircraft violated Iraqi airspace in the southern region, flying at a speed of 720 km/h and at an altitude of 20,000 m. The aircraft left the territory at 1330 hours on the same day.

5 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 20 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-9,000 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Zakho, Tall Afar and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 52 non-specified sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah, Samawah, Salman, Qal'at Salih, Qurnah, Shatrah, Jalibah and Busayyah.

6 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 40 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 5,000-8,000 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Tall Afar and Zakho.

(b) Southern region: 50 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Amarah, Qal'at Salih, Qurnah, Salman, Busayyah, Samawah, Nasiriyah, Basrah and Lutf.

7 February 1993

(a) Northern region: 14 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Zakho and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 74 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Basrah, Nasiriyah, Samawah, Qurnah, Salman and Busayyah.

8 February 1993

(a) Northern region: No air activity.

(b) Southern region: 66 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Qal'at Salih, Nasiriyah, Samawah, Salman, Shatrah, Qurnah and Busayyah.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Adnan MALIK
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